

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested. Claims 1, 2-15 and 19 have been amended. No claims have been canceled or added. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1-6, 12-15 and 19 stand rejected for non-statutory double-patenting based on the parent patent, U.S. Patent no. 6,654,912. Accordingly, submitted herewith is a terminal disclaimer, which Applicants believe overcomes the rejection.

Claim 19 was objected to due to an informality. Accordingly, claim 19 has been amended as requested by the Examiner.

All other amendments to the claims are made only to place the claims in what Applicants consider to be better form, not in response to any rejection or to comply with any requirement of patentability.

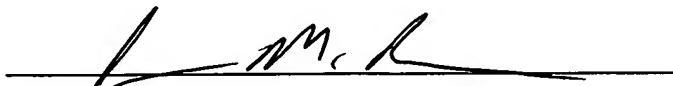
Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly requested.

If there are any additional charges/credits, please charge/credit our deposit account no. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,
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